

Tales from THE ZONE

& Other Emanations from
The Los Angeles
Cacophony Society
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The Cacophony Society is a randomly gathered network of free spirits devoted to the pursuit of experiences beyond the mainstream. We are pranksters, poets, artists, undisciplined children, wise fools and wise asses, the bug under the rug, the termites in society's crutches, the bad egg at the corporate picnic, the vital spirits of cultural fermentation. You may already be a member!

RAVING LUNATICS WORKSHOP

Saturday, June 6, 5 pm

Choosing "Beserk" as their theme the organizers of this large rave wisely consulted Cacophony for assistance with "mental nomadic performances." If you are interested in making and wearing a large cardboard suit and checking out this environment cost-free (normally \$25), flatten out some boxes, buy some chips and beer, and come over to our costume workshop/rehearsal/party. The rave will feature live music by 2 Unlimited from Belgium and Ritz, as well as the Anastasias psychedelic dancers, Mr. Nipples and the usual sirens, beams, lasers and film loops. Rave info: (213) 913-7559. More details on future performance June 27 will be discussed at this meeting.

RSVP: (213) 937-2759. Call for workshop location.



SKUNK STORIES

Thursday, June 11, 8 pm

The Society of Musteline Arts and Literature is a *real* organization in Garden Grove striving to "loosen the grip cats and dogs have on popular culture" by promoting arts devoted to skunks wolverines, weasels and the like. These people desperately need our help. Let's get together and see if we can't each contribute a chapter to the Great American Skunk Story.

RSVP: Stinky (213) 937-2759.

Where: the pick-me-up coffeehouse, W. of 6th and La Brea

ANTI-CIVILIZATION DAY III

Saturday, June 13, 1pm

The story remains the same only the location has been changed to protect the perpetrators. You know how it goes — put on some barbarian garb, gather up some neolithic props, slather on the mud, and go wandering the Venice Boardwalk, grunting, hooting, and making unintelligible gestures. Onlookers beam with admiration, quietly nod in affirmation, then go home and destroy all artifacts of 20th century life.

Where: Rose & Boardwalk in Venice.

RSVP: Gary Rumour (310) 396-6197.

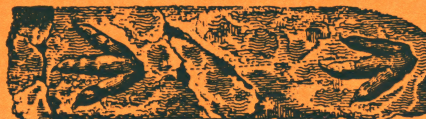
UNDERGROUND MYSTERY TOUR

Sunday, June 14, 8 pm

The ultimate underground experience, and as such cannot be fully disclosed. A walking tour in the realms of Urban Folklore. Bring a flashlight and join in the hunt for the Great Alligator inhabiting the mental plumbing of the city.

Where: Meeting point: 547 S. Madison #4, Pasadena, near California and Madison.

RSVP: Wes (818) 585-9857.



LAUNDROMAT POETRY

Thursday, June 18, 7-9 pm

Get rid of those stubborn stains and inhibitions at our monthly open reading.

Where: Wash-o-Rama, Sta Monica, E. of Hobart.

RSVP: Gabriel (213) 250-4711

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BATMAN 2 STUPID

Friday, June 19

People will wait 10 and 20 hours in line for the premiere of the latest boxoffice formulation, cause they damn well want to be entertained. Lest they be disappointed, we will present our captive audience with our own worthless ripoff of the story of our favorite flying mammalian superhero. (And we don't mean Bullwinkle's significant other). Call to help with cheap-ass costumes and low-brow script.

RSVP: Eric (213) 288-3668.

A WREATH FOR BLINKEY

Saturday, June 20, 3 pm cemetery, 6pm wake

In 1978 conceptual artist Jeffrey Vallance, posing as a bereaved pet-owner, interred a quickly-thawing Foster Farms fryer under a stone marked "Blinkey the Friendly Hen" in the Los Angeles Pet Cemetery. To commemorate the passing of this friendly fowl, Cacophony will lay a birdseed wreath on Blinkey's final resting place. After a tour of other cemetery highlights including the graves of the exotic and the famous, we retire to Rev. Al's for a n old-fashioned wake for another recently departed piece of poultry. Included will be an address from Mark X, the Southland's leading authority on dead pet removal, some twisted games and a showing of "Gates of Heaven" a weirdly touching off-kilter documentary about the "Bubbling Well" Pet Cemetery in Northern California. Please bring a few words of eulogy for the departed, a dish for potluck, and above all a well-founded preference for either white or dark meat.

Where: (from LA to Calabasas) 101 to Parkway Calabasas exit, R onto Ventura Blvd (.2 miles). Left on Old Scandia Lane (.1 mile). Left. Meet at the statue of St. Francis of Assissi. Call for carpooling. Wake at 847 N. Formosa Ave. #6 in W. Hollywood.

RSVP: Rev. Al (213) 936-8767.



THE SUMMER SOLSTICE HUMAN BARBECUE

Sunday, June 21, 7 pm

Biannual, pseudo-pagan semi-barbaric ritual barbecue. Invite the spirits of your own worst enemies to a literal roast of human effigies. After constructing our life-size voodoo dolls from old clothes and newspaper, we take turns offering our victims along with a brief description of their crimes to the Gods of Fire. Bring discarded clothing and the stuff to stuff it, drums, toys, food and drink. Guaranteed 100% effective by Winter Solstice participants.

Where: Dockweiler Beach near LAX, 405 South from LA, exit at Imperial Hwy West.

RSVP: (213) 937-2759. Call to reserve a head (for the dummy.)

SOUNDS LIKE CACOPHONY

Know of some strange phenomenon upcoming or ongoing? Have some odd requests, weird items or interesting lore to share? Call (213) 937-2759 to leave a message.

Mass Transit Poetry, open poetry reading on the BlueLine train to Long Beach and back. First Sunday of the month. Meet downtown at 3:30 at the Grand & Washington platform for 4:00 train. \$2.20 2-way fare. Call Gabriel (213) 250-4711.

Die! (213) 288-3668 "CUTFOOT" to hear what the pooled genes of and Charles Bukowski sperm and Patti Smith's egg would be doing around town today in the best of all possible worlds.

Read about Cacophony's exploits at last month's UFO expo in **Ben is Dead**. Read the magazine, hear the music. Infoline: (213) 960-7674.

California Bigfoot Organization wants your participation in tracking down our elusive friend. Box 4254 Lancaster, CA 93539.

Found in the phone book: **Gods R Us** (213) 856-8148. Huh?

Interested in the Mother of all Cacophony? The **San Francisco Cacophony Society** can be contacted at PO Box 426392, San Francisco, CA 94142-6392 or telephonically (415) 665-0351. **Seattle Cacophony** at PO Box 17102, Seattle 98107.

FUTURE EVENTS

These are events in the planning. Leave a message on the Cacophony line before June 25 to cast your vote for whatever interests you, or better still, suggest one of your own. (213) 937-2759.

Sheriffs' Museum: tour of a fascist true-crime museum right here in Southern California.

Burning Man: the erection and destruction by fire of a monumental human figure in the middle of a salt flat in Nevada's Black Rock desert, associated rituals, games, pyrotechnical displays, and revelry. Advance reservations \$18 before June 14th, \$25 thereafter. in conjunction with SF/Seattle Cacophony.

Cacophony Christmas Party: late July, Christmas in Santa's Sweatshop, Industrial setting, bands. Were celebrg one year! in LA! Have something twisted to contribute?



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